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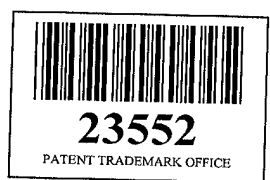
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on December 4, 2002, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

In the Claims

Please amend claims 1 and 12 as follows:

1. (Three Times Amended) A fixture, comprising:
a base with an opening in its center portion;
a movable pawl provided on the base for fixing an electronic component; and
at least one pair of positioning walls for positioning the electronic component,
wherein the at least one pair of positioning walls are inner wall faces of the base, and

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the movable pawl has a surface that faces downward and is substantially parallel with a top face of the electronic component, the surface being brought into contact with the top face of the electronic component so that the electronic component is pressed toward the base.

12. (Three Times Amended) A circuit board with a fixture, comprising:
a fixture mounted on a circuit board, for placing an electronic component; and
electrodes formed on the circuit board with the fixture,
wherein the fixture comprises a movable pawl for fixing an electronic component and at least one pair of positioning walls for positioning an electronic component,
the at least one pair of positioning walls are inner wall faces of the fixture,
the electrodes are exposed between the at least one pair of positioning walls, and
the movable pawl has a surface that faces downward and is substantially parallel with a top face of the electronic component, the surface being brought into contact with the top face of the electronic component so that the electronic component is pressed against the electrodes.